

**PATENT**

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**CONTINUATION PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION  
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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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Title: **PLATE JOINER**

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**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.10**

I hereby certify that this Continuation Patent Application Transmittal and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date, June 25, 2003 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee", Mailing Label N° EV 338 284 319 US, with sufficient postage, addressed to: MS Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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**1. Type of Application**

This is a Continuation Application.

**2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application(s) (35 U.S.C. § 120 )**

<u>USSN</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Inventor(s)</u>	<u>Status</u>
10/042,536	01/08/02	Smith, et al.	Allowed
09/276,393	03/25/99	Smith, et al.	Issued
08/872,015	06/09/97	Smith, et al.	Issued

**3. Papers Enclosed That Are Required for Filing Date under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. §1.153 (Design) Application**

Fourteen (14) Pages of Specification;

Four (4) Pages of Claims;

One (1) Page of Abstract; and

Twenty-eight (28) Sheets of Drawing Figures.

**4. Additional Papers Enclosed**

Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) is attached.

**5. Declaration or Oath**

Signed Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.

**6. Inventorship Statement**

The inventorship for all the claims in this application are the same.

**7. Language**

English.

**8. Assignment**

None.

**9. Certified Copy**

None are required.

**10. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. §1.16)**

**BASIC FEE**

Standard Fee	\$750.00	\$750.00
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**EXCESS CLAIM FEE**

TOTAL OVER TWENTY	21	-20	0	1	\$18.00	\$18.00
INDEPENDENT OVER THREE	3	-3	0	0	\$84.00	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT					\$280.00	\$0.00
ASSIGNMENT RECORDATION FEE					\$40.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEES</b>						<b><u>\$768.00</u></b>

- 11. Small Entity Status**-Applicant does not request small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- 12. Request for International - Type Search (37 C.F.R. §1.104(d))**  
None required.

- 13. Authorization to Charge Fees**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the filing fees of \$768.00 to Deposit Account N° 19-4882. Please charge any underpayments related to this filing or credit any excess to Deposit Account N° 19-4882. A copy of this *Transmittal* is enclosed for accounting purposes only.

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